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In re Application of: Lincoln et al.  
Application No. 09/855,142  
Confirmation No. 1124  
Filed: May 14, 2001  
For: Method and apparatus for asynchronous information transactions

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Reply to the Office Communication and Submission of Interview Agenda in the subject application.

- ☐ Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Petition for an extension of time for the period noted below, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.
- ☐ Other:
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- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
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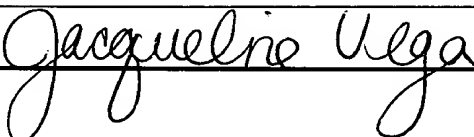
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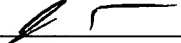
Sir:

In response to the Office Communication of January 24, 2007, Applicants submit the attached interview agenda for consideration by the Examiner. The undersigned looks forward to the Examiner setting a date for the interview and respectfully asks that the date be set for a morning inasmuch as either someone from the client or our foreign associate intends to participate. Both parties are located in Great Britain.

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- 1) Rejections of claims 6 and 9 as anticipated by the article "Proxies for Anonymous Routing" by Michael G. Reed, *et al.*
- 2) Rejections of claims 8 and 10 as rendered obvious by the article "Proxies for Anonymous Routing" by Michael G. Reed, *et al.*
- 3) Background and operation of the Reed, *et al.*, arrangement disclosed in the article "Proxies for Anonymous Routing" in U.S. Patent 5,862,344 to Hart as they relate to the pending claims.
- 4) Rejections of claims 6 and 8-9 as anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,862,344 to Hart.
- 5) Applicants' remarks of December 2, 2005 and February 8, 2006 regarding same.
- 6) Background and operation of the Hart arrangement disclosed in U.S. Patent 5,862,344 to Hart as they relate to the pending claims.
- 7) Status and substance of rejections based upon U.S. Patent 5,862,344 to Hart.